

In the claims:

Please substitute the following claims for the currently pending claims:

1. (amended) A method of indicating a receipt of a stored message from a source, the method comprising:

generating an information signal relating the stored message to at least one graphical image associated with the source;

transmitting the information signal to a communications device associated with an addressee of the stored message; and

indicating the receipt of the stored message in response to a receipt of the information signal by the communications device.

34. (amended) An apparatus for indicating a receipt of a stored message from a source, the apparatus comprising:

a generator configured to generate an information signal relating the stored message to at least one graphical image associated with the source;

a transmitter configured to initiate transmission of the information signal to a communications device associated with an addressee of the stored message; and

an indicator configured to indicate the receipt of the stored message in response to a receipt of the information signal by the communications device.

56. (amended) A computer readable medium including codes for:

(a) directing a network computer to generate an information signal relating a stored message to at least one graphical image associated with a source of the stored message; and

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(b) directing the network computer to transmit the information signal to a communications device associated with an addressee of the stored message to indicate the receipt of the stored message.

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73.(amended) A method of indicating receipt of a stored message from a source, the method comprising:

generating an information signal relating the stored message to at least one of: (i) a graphical image associated with the source; and (ii) a digital representation of a sound waveform associated with the source;

transmitting the information signal to a communications device associated with an addressee of the stored message; and

indicating the receipt of the stored message in response to a receipt of the information signal by the communications device.

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